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SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President and members of the body. I would support Senator Carpenter's motion. If we could arrange a caucus between a committee on committee chairman and another chairman to be sure that we have Executive sessions scheduled for tomorrow morning and for Monday morning. I don't believe that we should just take time off. I do understand the predicament that the committees must function. But I believe this will happen only that the Committee on Committee so ordered that we use tomorrow morning and Monday morning for that specific purpose of having Executive committee. If we could have an assurance of that procedure, it would be my intention to oppose the motion to adjourn until Tuesday.

PRESIDENT: All right, the next to speak is Senator Whitney, then Syas, then Warner.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I am in favor of the motion as it was originally stated to come back at 10:00 Monday. Now I have a Retirement Committee meeting tomorrow at 9:00. And all these men, excepting one who has to be out of the state were very happy to come. So if we make this for too long a period, I'm afraid that too many Senators are going to get away and stay away. And so I prefer the Monday meeting at 10:00a.m. the way the motion is at the moment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: Well, as a Committee Chairman, and I figure that I should give my two bits worth in here. My committee is not at the present in any difficulty. We are holding one bill, and I think the bill would have gotten out if enough committee members would have been there to give it for. I hope today that when we hear these bills there will be all 7 of us present and we can dispose of them. I also have a committee hearing scheduled for tomorrow, so we have to be here. Monday is you didn't work, I'm afraid I might be duty bound to have to go back to work with the railroad on that one day, but tomorrow I'll be here. I think our committee can today, if things go normally, be all up to date.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Warner. We actually don't have anything before the body. This is a discussion to bring those up to date who have come in, that it is a discussion on whether we should honor the motion to adjourn until 10:00 Monday, or until 10:00 Tuesday. Now the chair recognizes Senator Warner for further discussion.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I would support the proposal to not to come back until Tuesday to meet here in session. If we do this obviously there is no problem with all these committees meeting on Thursday and Friday. They can meet tomorrow morning in Executive session and clear up whatever they have. There will be some of them I know would have committee hearings in the afternoon. In any event the same is true of those committees meeting on Monday and Tuesday to meet on Tuesday morning. The Education Committee we only have two or three bills, but they could be disposed, we could have Executive session at 10:30 and probably take care of it. Hold hearings in the afternoon and get some more work on the board. The only place where there might be a problem are these committees that meet on Wednesdays. I assume that they can work around the time schedule if they have things that they can do. But I agree totally that we know from experience we can have, if you don't have 8 or 10 bills up there you are not going to work very long